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 Cahokia Heights residents raise questions about \$10M grant to fix flooding, sewer issues	09/22/2021	Belleville News-Democrat Online	IL	  
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Water - Drinking (1)

	Benton Harbor commissioners spar over lead line removal	09/21/2021	Herald-Palladium, The	MI	 
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Water - Surface (2)

	Wisconsin tribal official to help advise EPA on protecting water and environment	09/22/2021	Herald Times Reporter Online	WI	 
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News Headline: Indiana Ag Connection - Holcomb Declares Sept. 19-24 Pollution Prevention Week | 

News Date: 09/21/2021

Outlet Full Name: Indiana Ag Connection

Outlet State: WI

News Text: Indiana Ag News Headlines Holcomb Declares Sept. 19-24 Pollution Prevention Week Indiana Ag Connection - 09/21/2021 To honor...

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News Headline: This Week Is Pollution Prevention Week | 


News Date: 09/21/2021

Outlet Full Name: WSCH-FM Online

Outlet State: IN

News Text: Tuesday, September 21st, 2021 1:53pm By Indiana Department of Environmental Management, news release Pollution Prevention Week is a great...

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News Headline: EPA strikes deal for cleanup of battery site that burned | 


News Date: 09/17/2021

Outlet Full Name: ConnectTriStates.com

Outlet State: IL

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News Headline: Cahokia Heights residents raise questions about \$10M grant to fix flooding, sewer issues | 


News Date: 09/22/2021

Outlet Full Name: Belleville News-Democrat Online

Outlet State: IL

News Text: ...and then the quick turnaround is September 30," Nelson said. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency declined to be...

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News Headline: Madison County to offer household hazardous waste drop-offs | 


News Date: 09/22/2021

Outlet Full Name: Today's Ad Vantage

Outlet State: IL

News Text: ...the county to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to establish a...

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News Headline: Household hazardous waste drop-off site set in Wood River | 

News Date: 09/21/2021

Outlet Full Name: Edwardsville Intelligencer Online

Outlet State: IL

News Text: ...hazardous waste facility after approving an agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. The county board...

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News Headline: Illinois Ag Connection - EPA Kicks Off 9th Annual SepticSmart Week | 

News Date: 09/21/2021

Outlet Full Name: Illinois Ag Connection

Outlet State: WI

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News Headline: Kansas Ag Connection - EPA Kicks Off 9th Annual SepticSmart Week | 

News Date: 09/21/2021

Outlet Full Name: Kansas Ag Connection

Outlet State: WI

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News Headline: Benton Harbor commissioners spar over lead line removal | 

News Date: 09/21/2021

Outlet Full Name: Herald-Palladium, The

Outlet State: MI

News Text: BENTON HARBOR â€” Benton Harbor City Commission made progress Monday toward removing lead from the city's aging infrastructure.

City Manager Ellis Mitchell was authorized to award Meeks Contracting Services three contracts â€” two to replace lead water service lines in Phase I of the EPA replacement project and one to perform a Drinking Water Asset Management inspection, paid for by a state grant.

There are 360 lines being considered in this EPA project, Mitchell said. Phase I of the project includes replacing 100 lines, Abonmarche Project Engineer Jason Marquardt told the city commission.

Phase I would start in October and end in April or May of 2022.

However, several commissioners expressed concerns over the potholing that would take place.

Marquardt said it wouldn't be exceedingly intrusive for the city.

Commissioner-at-large Mary Alice Adams said she wanted the lines to be removed, but also to see a list of the lead pipes that have been removed, so new roads would not have to be torn up.

Mayor Marcus Muhammad said he understood the request, but the task was too urgent to delay.

"It's going to get done, with no delay," Muhammad said, calling the lead contamination a "911 emergency."

Mayor Pro-Tem Duane Seats said he wanted people to get clean drinking water, but expressed concerns the EPA would waste taxpayer money while locating faulty lines.

"You can't be taken advantage of because you're in an emergency situation," Seats said.

Third Ward Commissioner Juanita Henry asked the board to make sure the city wasn't being overcharged, even if they needed to work quickly.

"There is oversight on everything we are doing," Mitchell assured commissioners.

Meeks Contracting Services, which is based in Benton Harbor, submitted the lowest bid for all three contracts.

Other business

Another retail marijuana store got the green light in Benton Harbor.

Redbud Roots Lab VII, LLC received approval for an adult-use retail permit at Monday's commission meeting.

In March 2020, city commissioners chose Redbud and three other dispensaries out of 11 applicants for four available medical marijuana provisioning center licenses, where the product can be sold to people who possess medical marijuana cards.

The board voted to remove a resolution regarding its partnership with Bird Rides, Inc., an app-based, scooter company, so the city attorney would be able to review the agreement.

The scooters cost no money for the city to maintain, as Bird Rides will pay the city \$750 for a licensing fee, according to the agreement.

Unless terminated, the agreement would last until Dec. 31, 2022.


Monday's meeting was also the last for Clerk Kimberly Thompson. Commissioners and audience members gave her two standing ovations during a citizen comment, commending her on a 16-year tenure.

"I just want to thank everyone for allowing me to serve as clerk for 16 years," Thompson said.

During their time for comment, commissioners, the mayor and the city manager thanked her for her service, referencing song lyrics in their praises.

"It's been short, but it's been sweet. You were an excellent clerk," Mitchell said.

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